



PATENT APPLICATION

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Applicant : Zeren Gao
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For : MURINE CYTOKINE RECEPTOR

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

The Restriction Requirement dated August 26, 2002, has been received and reviewed. Claims 8-13 and 16 (in part) are now in the case.

REMARKS

The Office Action sets forth a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121. Applicant was requested to elect one of the three designated groups as briefly noted below:

I. Claims 1-7, 16 (in part), 17 and 20, drawn to an isolated polypeptide, a composition thereof, and a fusion protein thereof, classified in class 530, subclass 350.

II. Claims 8-13, and 16 (in part), drawn to isolated nucleic acid, a vector containing same, a host cell thereof, a composition thereof, and a method of recombinantly producing the encoded polypeptide, classified in class 435, subclass 69.1.

III. Claims 14, 15, 18 and 19, drawn to an antibody, classified in class 530, subclass 387.9.